

GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH

ABSTRACT

A.P.Port Department - Collection of Port Dues on GRT of the vessels arrived at Kakinada and Rawa Ports – Permission to Director of Ports, AP, Kakinada to impose the Port Dues on the Gross Tonnage of the vessels which arrive at Kakinada and Rawa Ports - Orders - Issued.

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ENERGY, INFRASTRUCTURE & INVESTMENT (PORTS.II) DEPARTMENT
G.O.RT.No. 25
Dated: 13-02-2017
Read;

Letter.No.DoP/A2/4152/2016, dated 23-12-2016, from the Director of Ports, Kakinada

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ORDER:

In the letter read above, the Director of Ports, AP, Kakinada has submitted that Kakinada Anchorage and Rawa Ports are the only two Ports in the State of Andhra Pradesh which are being operated directly under the control of the Government of A.P. Further Govt of A.P. itself decides and fixes the rates/tariffs which are to be collected in the above two Ports. The entire derived revenue through these Ports is credited to the exchequer. Port Dues is the one of the main items, which is collected from the vessels arrived in the territorial waters of Kakinada Anchorage and Rawa Ports. Almost 10% of revenue, out of total revenue amount is acquired through imposing Port Dues.

2. From the very beginning i.e., since the Anchorage and Rawa Ports came into operation, the Port Dues has been evaluated and charged on the Net Tonnage of the vessel (NRT). This practice of evaluating Port Dues on Net Tonnage of the vessel is existed only in Anchorage and Rawa Ports. In Krishnapatnam Port, Gangavaram Port, Kakinada Deep Water Port, Gujarat Maritime Board, Tamil Nadu Maritime Board, the Port Dues is evaluating on the Gross Tonnage of the vessel.

3. The Director of Ports has opined that it is considerable to evaluate the Port Dues on the Gross Tonnage of the vessels which arrive at Kakinada Anchorage Port and Rawa Port, as per the rates fixed by the Government vide G.O.Ms.No.5, E,I&I (P.II) Dept, Dated 07-07-2015. Because of conversion of pattern for evaluating Port Dues i.e., from Net Tonnage to Gross Tonnage, the revenue accruing on Port Dues at Anchorage Port and Rawa Port will be increased two times excess, than the revenue deriving at present. Moreover, the trade/business in Anchorage and Rawa Port will not affect, because the Port Dues will be paid by the owner of the Vessel but not Steamer Agents or Exporter who deal with the vessels at Kakinada Anchorage and Rawa Ports. The apprehension of diversion of vessels from Kakinada Anchorage Port and Rawa Port to other Ports will not arise.

4. After careful examination, Government hereby agreed to the proposal of the Director of Ports to impose the Port Dues on the Gross Tonnage of the vessels which arrive at Kakinada and Rawa Ports.

5. This order issues with the concurrence of Finance Department vide their U.O.No.44027/6/2017, dated 23-01-2017.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

AJAY JAIN
PRINCIPAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To
The Director of Ports, AP, Kakinada
The PS to Prl.Secretary to CM
Finance (FMU-I&I) Department
SF/SC.

// FORWARDED :: BY ORDER //

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